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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/943,209	08/29/2001	William K. Lam	0007056-0186/P5729/KO	8850

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY ISOLATING MINIMAL DISTINGUISHING STIMULI IN DESIGN VERIFICATION AND SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
William K. Lam et al.

Application No.: 09/943,209

Filed: August 29, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
AUTOMATICALLY ISOLATING MINIMAL  
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VERIFICATION AND SOFTWARE  
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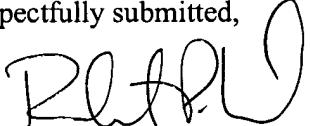
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**
**Fee Description**

	Small Entity
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50 25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200 100
Multiple dependent claims	360 180

<b>Total Claims</b>	<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>	<b>Multiple Dependent Claims</b>	
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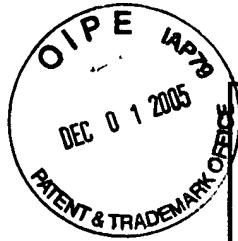
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